

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 138

By Barnes

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Clarksville Garden Club upon the occasion of its ninetieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those exemplary organizations and their remarkable members who, through their unwavering commitment to excellence, are a credit to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such notable organization is the Clarksville Garden Club, whose members are committed to the beautification of Clarksville through growing, arranging, and displaying flowers, while sharing their knowledge with the public, supporting environmental education and conservation of our natural resources, and promoting the Tennessee and National Garden clubs' initiatives and objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Clarksville Garden Club, which was established in 1921, is the oldest federated garden club in Tennessee and, on May 10, 2011, its members will celebrate the club's ninetieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the Clarksville Garden Club was federated in 1927 and is one of only twenty charter members of the Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs, which was founded on November 8, 1936; and

WHEREAS, the members continue to honor Mrs. Lula Epperson, who served as the club's first president and as an inspiration to all those who share the timeless tradition of gardening; and

WHEREAS, today, the club has a membership of thirty-eight and the club's flower (which is also the State's flower) is the iris, and

WHEREAS, as the Clarksville Garden Club celebrates its rich history of ninety years, it is appropriate to honor the many club members, both past and present, who have volunteered their time, talent, and resources in order to beautify their community and share their sage gardening advice; and

WHEREAS, the Clarksville Garden Club is most assuredly worthy of this General Assembly's recognition and approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the members, both past and present, of the Clarksville Garden Club for their tireless dedication to making the State of Tennessee a more beautiful place, congratulate them on the celebration of the club's ninetieth anniversary, and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.